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## PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM FOR PRIORITY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.78(c)(3)

Applicants hereby advise the Office that they failed to file a timely and proper claim of priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(e), 120, 121 or 365(c) within the later of four months from the filing date of the later filed application or sixteen months from the filing date of the prior-filed application. Accordingly, Applicant(s) hereby petition that the office accept the delayed claims for priority.

Accompanying this petition is:

- 1. An amendment directing entry of the claim for priority into the specification of the above-identified application; and
  - 2. The fee of \$1,330.00 as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(t).

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## **STATEMENT**

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

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